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SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEE BOAT CASES - ETHNIC CHINESE?

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REF: A) STATE 216116; B) GENEVA 6892

HONG KONG INADVERTENTLY OMITTED FROM ACTION ADDRESSEES  
REFTEL, SO TEXT REPEATED BELOW. REQUEST EACH ACTION ADD-  
RESSEE THIS CABLE INCLUDE ALL OTHERS, ACTION AND INFO, IN  
REPLIES.

QUOTE: WE NOTE REFTEL (B) THAT UNHCR REPS APPARENTLY REP-  
ORTING ALMOST ALL BOAT CASES ETHNIC-CHINESE. BASED ON FIELD  
REPORTING, WE BELIEVE THIS IS NOT CORRECT. WHILE ETHNIC  
BACKGROUND OF REFUGEE WOULD HAVE LITTLE OR NO BEARING ON  
REFUGEE STATUS, IT MAY HAVE EFFECT ON WHICH COUNTRIES ARE  
WILLING TO ACCEPT THE REFUGEE FOR PERMANENT RESETTLEMENT  
(E.G. FRENCH REPORTEDLY DO NOT WISH TO ACCEPT ETHNIC CHIN-  
ESE). REQUEST COMMENT BY SEA POSTS ON ETHNIC BACKGROUND OF  
BOAT CASE REFUGEES. END QUOTE KISSINGER

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